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hitherto only received partial treatment in the leading works on international law. In the appendices we have useful documents touching neutrality and an excellent bibliography of the subject. While our author's view is comprehensive we could have wished at this time greater detail in his treatment. This is especially true when he comes to "Balance of Power." Occasionally a statement would seem to need modification; we would hardly indorse, without qualification, the statement (at p. 29) "The Holy Alliance received its first great blow by the promulgation of the Monroe Doctrine in 1823." Our author's review of recent war-like conditions is most helpful and illuminating, and we cordially commend the volume to all students of public affairs.

G. E. S.

Sales of Stocks and Bonds. By Milford J. Thompson. T. H. Flood & Company, Chicago. 1915. pp. XXV, 208.

This book deals with an intensely live topic. The author startles one by the initial statement in his introduction that "there is a universal violation of the law of sales in the present methods of delivering shares of stock." His attempt is to make good this thesis and to indicate how such sales and contracts of sale should be made in order to conform to the fundamental principles of the law of sales. His treatment of the subject is suggestive, but is somewhat lacking in clearness in places and is not always entirely convincing. Very few cases are cited and we are unable to see why the author concluded that the citation of more authorities would not have added to the strength of his book. The book will be interesting and valuable chiefly by way of suggestion rather than because of any definite solution which it gives of the problems pointed out.

H. W. A.

The Act to Regulate Commerce. By Herbert C. Lust. Published by LaSalle Extension University, Chicago. 1915. pp. VII, 196 and 141.

This book contains an appendix of 141 pages which includes the text of the Interstate Commerce Act with the amendments to date. The body of the book consists of a section by section comment upon the Act. On the whole, it is a fair general expo-

sition of the Act in its fundamental aspects. It will be useful to the student who seeks a general knowledge of the Act, but, owing to the fact that very few authorities are cited, it will not be very useful to the practicing lawyer.

H. W. A.

History of Social Legislation in Iowa. By John E. Briggs. Published by The State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City. 1915. pp. XII, 444.

Poor Relief Legislation in Iowa. By John L. Gillin. Published by The State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City. 1914. pp. XIV, 404.

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War Obviated by an International Police. A Series of Essays Written in Various Countries. Translated and published by Martinus Nijhoff, The Hague. 1915. pp. IV, 223.

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